



# Burr Ridge Briefs

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## President, Clerk and Trustees Elected; Trustee Rohner Resigns

The April 5th Village election brought 2,022 Voters to the polls to elect a Village President, Village Clerk and three Trustees. Gary Grasso was elected Village President, Bob Grela, Bob Sodikoff and Maureen Wott were elected to four-year terms on the Board of Trustees, and Karen Thomas was elected for her third term as Village Clerk. The terms of those elected began May 1. Trustee Amy Rohner resigned April 30th after 10 years of service on the Board of Trustees, Economic Development Gateway Beautification, Stormwater Management, Street Policy and Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee. Outgoing Village President Jo Irmen and Trustees Dolores Cizek, Dan Pallat and Amy Rohner, whose combined service totals more than 59 years, deserve many thanks for their dedication.



Front Row (L-R) Karen Thomas, Maureen Wott. Back Row (L-R) Robert Grela, Robert Sodikoff, Gary Grasso

## Town Center Approved; Construction Could Begin This Summer

The Town Center received preliminary approval in April. The developer, Opus North, will build a mixed use Town Center featuring an open air shopping experience characterized by upscale retail and restaurants along a main street. The approximately 249,000 square foot development will include 191,000 square feet of retail, 25,000 square feet of restaurants, 33,000 square feet of office space plus 179 condominium units. In order to begin construction, Opus North must receive final P.U.D. (planned unit development) approval. They have outlined an aggressive schedule in order to begin site work as early as late July, beginning actual construction of five of seven proposed buildings in early fall. Their goal is to open in the fall of 2006, in time for the holiday season. To accomplish this, Plan Commission meetings will be held June 6, June 7 and June 20 at 7:00 PM at the Village Hall. It is anticipated that a recommendation on the final PUD will go before the Board of Trustees for approval in late July. Information is available at the Village Hall and on the Village's web site ([www.burr-ridge.gov](http://www.burr-ridge.gov)).

## New Budget Includes Police Officer, Some Program Cuts

Although revenues were flat for the fourth year, a balanced budget for Fiscal Year 2005-06 went into effect May 1st. Included in this year's budget is one additional patrol officer and partial abatement of the 2003 G.O. Bond Issue (1996 Refinanced) for the Bedford Park water main program. \$254,385 from the Water Fund will be used to abate half of the property tax. Some programs, however, were eliminated. The Saturday brush drop-off program at the Public Works facility was eliminated. Instead, curbside brush chipping will continue and additional funds have been budgeted for emergency brush chipping. Also, the mosquito abatement contract with Clarke Mosquito control was reduced by eliminating all adulticiding treatments (spraying). Larval control will continue, as will general services, a hotline and surveillance of the mosquito population.

## Community Service Survey; Your Input Is Needed!

Enclosed with the May water bill and/or newsletter is the 2005 Community Service Survey. Please return the completed survey no later than June 12th. Residents who receive a water bill can enclose it with their payment. Residents who do not receive a water bill should return it to Lisa Scheiner, Village of Burr Ridge, 7660 County Line Road, Burr Ridge, IL 60527.

## News in Brief

### Public Works to Host Open House May 21st

Sit in the driver's seat at the Burr Ridge Public Works Department's first-ever open house on Saturday, May 21st from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Public Works facility, located at 451 Commerce Street. Come and take a tour of the newly renovated Public Works facility and learn more about the services the Department provides. Residents will be invited to participate in various demonstrations. Afterward, enjoy free hot dogs, cotton candy, popcorn, a moon walk, magician, balloons, give-aways, trucks and a variety of demonstrations. Questions? Call the Public Works Department at 323-4733.

### Latex Paint Can be Recycled

Unwanted latex paint can be dropped off and recycled at the DuPage County Public Works facility (7900 S. Route 53). The facility is open from June 1st to through August 13th, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) and select Saturdays: June 11, 25, July 9, 23, and August 13. Usable paint will be filtered and rebled into a variety of colors, types and finishes. Free five gallon buckets of quality, recycled paint are available to the public Monday through Friday. For more information about the program, call the DuPage County Public Works Department at (630) 985-7400.

### Memorial Day Reminder: Village Hall Closed

Residents should keep in mind that the Village Hall will be closed Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day. Offices will reopen Tuesday, May 31st.

### Citizens' Police Academy Begins in September

The Burr Ridge Citizens Police Academy begins Thursday, September 8th at 6:30 PM. For more information or to sign up, contact Officer Angie Zuccherro at 654-8181, extension 322 or stop by the Police Department for a brochure and application.

### Know the Code

**Construction Site Problems:** Construction crews are required to keep surrounding streets free of mud and the construction site free of excess debris, maintaining silt and wood construction fencing, a dumpster and port-a-pot. Report construction site problems to the Engineering Department at 654-8181, extension 4. Please provide an after-hours number where you can be reached in case more information is needed.

**Construction Hours:** Construction is permitted Monday through Friday between 7 AM and 7 PM, and Saturday and Sunday between 8 AM and 5 PM. It is unlawful for any construction work to be performed outside of any enclosed structure, or anywhere on any structure not completely enclosed at any other time.

### Sprinkling Restrictions Begin May 15th

Sprinkling north of 83rd Street is allowed Monday, Thursday and Saturday from 12 AM to 12 Noon and 6 PM to 12 AM. Sprinkling south of 83rd Street is allowed Tuesday, Friday and Sunday during the same hours. Restrictions are in effect May 15th through September 15th.

### Spaghetti Dinner to Benefit Veterans' Memorial

Brighton Gardens (6801 High Grove Blvd.) will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner to benefit the Veterans' Memorial. Join us Saturday, May 21st from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$7 each and can be purchased at Brighton Gardens or from Corporal Tim Vaclav at 654-8181, extension 309.

### County Line Road Landscaping is Underway

Installation of handrails and guardrails, final grading and landscaping along County Line Road is underway. 100 trees will be planted by the Cook County Highway Department. In addition, the Village will spend up to \$50,000 for landscape restoration, \$30,000 of which will be reimbursed by the County.

### Complaints Received About M.A.P. Solicitation

Under the guise of the Burr Ridge Police Association, the Metropolitan Alliance of Police (M.A.P.) continues to solicit residents and businesses for contributions. Neither the Village nor the Police Department is involved in or condones this action and Officers are not allowed to participate in solicitations of this type. The "Burr Ridge Police Association" is a local affiliate of the M.A.P. union and any contribution should be made freely and openly on the basis of an informed choice. If you have been contacted and feel that you were pressured, misinformed or harassed in any way, it is suggested that you call the M.A.P. offices at (630) 759-4925 and ask for your money back. Please contact Steve Stricker, Village Administrator, at 654-8181, extension 100 with any concerns or complaints.

### Meeting Calendars Available Online and TV

Meeting calendars are available on the Cable Channel 6 Bulletin Board and on the Village's website ([www.burr-ridge.gov](http://www.burr-ridge.gov)). Visit the "Administration" page and click on "Village Calendar". Agendas can be accessed by clicking on the meetings' link.

### Village's 50th Anniversary Approaches

2006 will mark the 50th Anniversary of the Village of Burr Ridge. Incorporated in 1956 as the Village of Harvester, the community has grown leaps and bounds. Planning for the Anniversary celebration will begin soon with the formation of an Anniversary Committee. Residents can expect more details in the coming months.